



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, May was first designated National Trauma Awareness Month in 1988 by then-President Ronald Reagan; and

**WHEREAS**, the month is used to increase education and prevention activities to educate the public that uncontrolled bleeding caused by everyday accidents, violence, or even natural disasters can result in death within minutes; and

**WHEREAS**, a national awareness campaign called "Stop the Bleed" was launched by the White House in October 2015 to empower everyday citizens with the tools and knowledge to help stop uncontrolled bleeding in emergency situations; and

**WHEREAS**, research has shown that bystanders armed with "Stop the Bleed" training can save lives by recognizing the signs of life-threatening bleeding and taking key steps to control it before emergency responders arrive; and

**WHEREAS**, an end-of-2018 progress report stated that 547,798 people worldwide have attended "Stop the Bleed" classes, with 39,941 instructors in 89 countries; and

**WHEREAS**, Stop the Bleed Hawai'i is working to get bleeding control kits placed next to Automated External Defibrillators (AED) in public locations so bystanders can act when help is needed;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim May 15, 2019 as

## "STOP THE BLEED DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the efforts of the Hawai'i State Department of Health, Emergency Medical Services Branch and the Hawai'i Trauma Advisory Council for carrying out this important initiative.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this second day of May 2019.

JOSHUA B. GREEN  
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i